

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

CLAIMS:

1-14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) ~~A method of~~A method for a base station to transmit~~transmitting~~ allocation information of downlink radio resource to a subscriber terminal in an OFDMA (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiple Access) communication system, the method comprising:

mapping, to a first region of a common control information of the downlink radio resource, allocation information for at least one subscriber terminal corresponding to a second region of the radio resource in a downlink frame composed of a predetermined number of symbols and a predetermined number of subchannels; and

transmitting the common control information to the at least one subscriber terminal in a time duration of the downlink frame;

wherein the allocation information ~~includes~~includes:

at least one identifier for the at least one subscriber terminal and ~~a~~ number of the at least one subscriber terminal; and

symbol offset information and subchannel offset information indicating a two-dimensional position of the second region in the downlink frame.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, further comprising mapping the symbol offset information and the subchannel offset information of the

second region of the radio resource to the common control information of the downlink radio resource.

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, further comprising mapping the modulation and channel encoding information of the radio resource to the common control information of the downlink radio resource.

20. (**Currently Amended**) A method for a subscriber terminal to access a downlink radio resource in an OFDMA (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiple Access) communication system, the method comprising:

receiving a common control information including a plurality of allocation information for a plurality of radio resource blocks in a downlink frame composed of a predetermined number of symbols and a predetermined number of subchannels, wherein each of the plurality of allocation information includes at least one identifier for at least one subscriber terminal and a number of the at least one subscriber terminal, and symbol offset information and subchannel offset information indicating a two-dimensional position of a radio resource block in the downlink frame;

searching allocation information corresponding to an identifier of the subscriber terminal among the plurality of allocation information; and

accessing a radio resource block by using symbol offset information and subchannel offset information corresponding to the searched allocation information among the plurality of radio resource blocks.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 20, wherein one of the plurality of radio resource blocks corresponding to the at least one allocation information is allocated to the at least one subscriber terminal.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Cancelled)

24. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 21, wherein the at least one allocation information further comprises modulation and channel encoding information of the corresponding radio block.

25. **(Currently Amended)** An apparatus for transmitting allocation information of downlink radio resource to a subscriber terminal in an OFDMA (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiple Access) communication system, the apparatus comprising:

means for mapping, to a first region of a common control information block of the downlink radio resource, an allocation information for at least one subscriber terminal corresponding to a second region of the radio resource in a downlink frame composed of a predetermined number of symbols and a predetermined number of subchannels; and

means for transmitting the common control information block to the at least one subscriber terminal in a time duration of the downlink frame;

wherein the allocation information includes-including:

at least one identifier for the at least one subscriber terminal and the number of the at least one subscriber terminal; and

symbol offset information and subchannel offset information indicating a two-dimensional position of the second region in the downlink frame.

26. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 25, further comprising means for mapping the symbol offset information and the subchannel offset information of the second region to the first region in the downlink frame.

27. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 25, further comprising means for mapping modulation and channel encoding information of the radio resource to the first region in the downlink frame.

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Cancelled)

30. (Currently Amended) A method for a base station to generate~~of generating~~ downlink frame in an OFDMA (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiple Access) communication system, the method comprising:

allocating a radio resource block to the frame;

allocating a common control information block to the frame;

determining whether to map, to the common control information block, allocation information for at least one subscriber terminal corresponding to the radio resource block in a downlink frame composed of the predetermined number of symbols and the predetermined number of subchannels; and

mapping, to the common control information block, at least one identifier for the at least one subscriber terminal and a number of the at least one subscriber terminal, and symbol offset information and subchannel offset information indicating a two-dimensional position of the radio resource block in the downlink frame when the allocation information for the at least one subscriber terminal is mapped to the common control information block.

31. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising mapping modulation and channel encoding information of the radio resource to the common control information block in the downlink frame.

32. (Cancelled)

33. (Currently Amended) A method for a base station to generate~~of generating~~ downlink frame in an OFDMA (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiple Access) communication system, the method comprising:

allocating a plurality of radio resource blocks including a first radio resource block for at least one first subscriber terminal and a second radio resource block for at

least one second subscriber terminal in a downlink frame composed of the predetermined number of symbols and the predetermined number of subchannels;

allocating a common control information block including a plurality of common control information to the frame, the plurality of common information including a first common control information for the first radio resource block and a second common control information for the second radio resource block; and

mapping, to a common control information of the common control information block, an allocation information for the at least one first subscriber terminal corresponding to the first radio resource block in the downlink frame;

wherein the allocation information includes: including:

at least one identifier for the at least one first subscriber terminal and the number of the at least one first subscriber terminal; and

symbol offset information and subchannel offset information indicating a two-dimensional position of the first radio resource block in the downlink frame.

34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 33, wherein an identifier for the at least one second subscriber terminal and the number of the at least one second subscriber terminal are not mapped to the second common control information.

35. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 33, further comprising mapping modulation and channel encoding information of the first radio resource to the first common control information.

36. (Cancelled)

37. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein when the downlink frame includes a plurality of the second regions, allocation information for at least one subscriber terminal corresponding to one of the second regions is mapped to the first region and allocation information for at least one subscriber terminal corresponding to the rest of the second regions is not mapped to the first region.

38. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 20, wherein the common control information includes a plurality of allocation information for a part of the plurality of radio resource blocks and does not include allocation information for the rest of the plurality of radio resource blocks.

39. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 38, further comprising accessing the rest of the plurality of radio resource blocks and determining whether the identifier corresponding to the subscriber terminal is included therein,

wherein the searching allocation information including the identifier corresponding to the subscriber terminal among the plurality of allocation information for the part of the plurality of radio resource blocks.

40. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 25, wherein when the downlink frame includes a plurality of the second regions, allocation information for at least one subscriber terminal corresponding to a part of the second regions is mapped to the first region and allocation information for at least one subscriber terminal corresponding to the rest of the second regions is not mapped to the first region.

41. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 30, wherein when the downlink frame includes a plurality of radio resource blocks, allocation information for at least one subscriber terminal corresponding to a part of the radio resource blocks is mapped to the common control information block and allocation information for at least one subscriber terminal corresponding to the rest of the radio resource blocks is not mapped to the common control blocks.